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In re Application of :  
Gerhard Klaassen et al :  
Application No. 10/670,661 : DECISION GRANTING PETITION  
Filed: September 25, 2003 : UNDER 37 CFR 1.137(b)  
Attorney Docket No. A-3916 :

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b), filed October 14, 2004, to revive the above-identified application.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

This application became abandoned, by operation of law, for failure to timely reply within the three month shortened statutory period set in the nonfinal Office action mailed March 30, 2004. No extensions of time having been obtained pursuant to the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a), the date of abandonment of this application is July 1, 2004.

The petition satisfies the conditions for revival pursuant to the provisions of 37 CFR 1.137(b) in that (1) the reply (amendment); (2) the petition fee of \$1,370; and (3) the required statement of unintentional delay have been received. Accordingly, the reply to the nonfinal Office action of March 30, 2004 is accepted as having been unintentionally delayed.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to the undersigned at (571) 272-3218.

The matter is being referred to Technology Center AU 2854 for appropriate action on the concurrently filed amendment.

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